IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: METHOD AND PROGRAMMING INTERFACE FOR DEVELOPING OBJECT-ORIENTED SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS USING SECURED CALLS.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, insert the heading --**Background of the Invention**--.

after line 27, insert the heading --**Summary of the Invention**--.

Page 3, after line 7, insert the heading --**Brief Description of the Drawings**--.

after line 12, insert the heading --**Detailed Description of the Invention**--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 2,   line 1, delete "the preceding claim" and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 4,   line 1, delete "the preceding claim" and insert --claim 1--.

IN THE ABSTRACT:
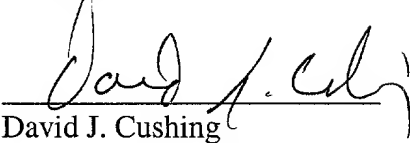
After the abstract delete "Figure to be published: single figure".

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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